Pieceful News

August, 2023

Newsletter for Ladies of the Lakes Quilters, Inc.

We meet on the Third Thursday of the Month at First Presbyterian Church, 175 Lake Hollingsworth Drive, Lakeland

- **Please remember that this is a fragrance free guild. Many members have severe allergies and we appreciate your cooperation.**
- **A Class registration form is required to be turned in with your class payment. No payment will be accepted without this form. Forms are located at the back of the room at the Information Table. They are also located on the website for download. This form applies to any class, trip, or event requiring payment. This also applies to Saturday classes at the Fabric Warehouse**
- **Social portion of the meeting starts at 6pm. Business portion starts at 6:30, followed by speaker/entertainment.**

News from the President

Wow! Summer is almost over and I missed it! Or, at least it seems that way. I know that it is still way too hot, so I am really ready for it to be over anyway. I am looking forward to some cooler temperatures. We have taken it a little slower around here, so I hope that everyone is taking advantage of the summer break because we are going to be kicking it up a notch soon and I can't wait to get back in the swing of our specialty circles, guest workshops, Saturday classes, bus trips, charity sewalongs, and of course, our QUILT SHOW! Keep stitchin, friends.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

1-Shirley Bath
2-Thelma Bonfiglio-Lucas
3-Diane Bishop
13- Marla Sangster
15-Diane Callard
31-Dona Meriwether
31-Lydia Morgan

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please feel free to contribute to our newsletter. If you have something you would like to guild to be aware of, the deadline to submit to the newsletter is the ***5th*** *of the month. Send your information to* ***ladiesofthelakesfl@gmail.com.***

Ladies of the Lakes website: www.ladiesofthelakes.org
Ladies of the Lakes Instagram: @ladiesofthelakesquiltguildfl
Ladies of the Lakes Facebook: @ladiesofthelakes and *for private members page:* https://www.facebook.com/groups/ladiesofthelakesfl

News from Jacqui

AUGUST GUILD MEETING. Our August guest is Nancy Deeler. Nancy has been exploring with beads and fabric for over 25 years, and teaching beading nationally for almost as long. She is the author of Bead Creative Art Quilts and Bead Creative Like Crazy: Beading Inspired by Crazy Quilts. **Nancy will have items for sale. She takes cash, check, Venmo and Zelle. She does not take paypal or credit cards.**

SEPTEMBER GUILD MEETING. Deb Stoltz will be presenting a trunk show as well as sharing with the guild a few new patters that she has designed over the summer. We are getting the first preview. Deb will also be teaching an exciting class on Friday, September 22nd. The class will be a mystery quilt-either crib or lap quilt size. You will construct the entire quilt top in the 3 hour class and everyone's will look different. A list of supplies will be given when we get closer to the date. There is a sign up sheet at the information table. Please remember to also fill out your registration form.

OCTOBER GUILD MEETING. Sue Beevers of Trillium Ridge will be our speaker this month. Sue is the designer of our current opportunity quilt. As painter, fabric artist, quilt designer, author, cellist and teacher at Hamilton College, Sue Beevers leads a full life. Sue began her career as a spinner, weaver and dyer whose fiber art appears in galleries and private collections throughout the United States, Europe and Japan. She has travelled extensively giving lectures and fiber art workshops.

In 2000, Sue expanded her creative expression into quilting. Since then she has written two books and numerous articles on quilting and has appeared twice as a guest artist on HGTV's, Simply Quilts. Although her creations are mainly art quilts, Sue also enjoys designing and sewing traditional quilts. In addition to creating beautiful fabric collections, Sue designs quilt patterns and recently started the Trillium Ridge Quilt Patterns with her son Brien.

NOVEMBER GUILD MEETING. Kestral Michaud will be out guest in Nomber. Kestral is a classically-trained artist with a passion for illustrating in fabric. For more information on Kestral, visit www.kestralmichaud.com.

BLOCK OF THE MONTH*- Don't forget to take a picture of your block and send it to Jacqui, sewbizzy67@gmail.com.*

Swaps

September- Table Runner
November- Thread Catcher

thank you

Our August 12th Saturday class was a smashing success! Thank you all who participated. Together we completed 37 cell phone holders, 13 tissue holders, 25 frame organizers and 1 mug organizer. We had a total of 18 attend in attendance. A special thanks to Linda Robinson for teaching the tissue holder pattern, Janell Buscemi for teaching the frame organizer and Mary Goodin for teaching the cell phone holder. If you would like to make one or all of these items for the boutique, the patterns will be located on the information table.

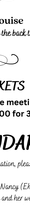
Quilt Show Reminders
23 weeks until our 2024 Quilt Show

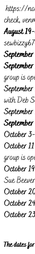
- Forms are located both on the website and at the information table.
- It's also not too early to be setting aside the items that you are donating to the boutique. Collection will start at the **September** meeting.
- It's also not too early to start getting your baskets together. If you would like a basket, please contact kimbooth@gmail.com for a basket
- Entry forms are due DECEMBER 1, 2023. Please send to Lydia Morgan, 1622 W. Sorrum Loop Rd. Lakeland, FL 33810
- We are still in need of someone to take charge of our program book. If you have computer skills and would like to volunteer your time and talents, please contact kimbooth@gmail.com.

2023 challenge

Just a reminder of our 2023 challenge. This challenge is due at the Christmas party.
The challenge this year is called "Self Portrait". The size is 22" square. It does not have to be a picture of your face, but it can be. It can be about your "essence" or personality, what makes you tick, etc. It can be any format (pieced, applique, paint, etc.) as long as it end up being a little quilt. It's all about you! Make it funny, poignant, sweet, whatever you are, as long as it is a 22" square quilt about you. The challenge will be voted on at the Guild Christmas Party, with prizes awarded for first, second and third place.

Pin Pals
Come help us pin quilts. We pin charity quilts every first Friday of the month, 10-12. Bring as many charity quilts as you want but please limit your personal quilts to 1. If interested, call Donna at 315-778-2349. RSVP as space is limited.





Our next Seasonal Block is almost here!

It's time for Seasonal quilt blocks. Our last block, "The Little Truck" was a wonderful success. Donna Bishop was the winner of 14 fabulous and fun blocks to make her own beautiful "Little Truck" quilt.
This time we will be making "Ugly Sweater" blocks. The packets will include two different ugly sweater patterns and the backing to be used for the block. You can choose which one you want to make. Wool would be a great consideration for these - BUT, they must be ugly. The uglier (gnudier) the better! These will be available at the August meeting, for $2.00 (3 patterns and the backing). If you make one of our fabulous and fun blocks; your name is put in the bag to win 12 blocks to make your very own "Ugly Sweater Quilt". For every 12 blocks turned in, there will be another WINNER! These will be due at the November meeting!

Charity Quilts with Louise

Just as a reminder, I bring labels to each meeting (on one of the back tables) for your use on charity quilts.

OPPORTUNITY TICKETS

Don't forget to check in with Marcie at the meeting to get your opportunity tickets. Tickets are $25.00 for 30 tickets.

GUILD CALENDAR

August 16*- Santa Claus Class at Fabric Warehouse. For information, please contact Jacqui at sewbizzy67@gmail.com.*
August 17*- Guild Meeting. 6:00 Social, 6:30 meeting. Guest is Nancy (Ebo) Deeler. She is know as the beading queen. Check out her instagram @beadingcrazy and her website: https://northhouse.org/instructors/nancy-ebo. Nancy will have items for sale. She takes cash, check, venmo, Zelle. No paypal and No credit cards.*
August 19*- Santa Claus Class at Fabric Warehouse. For information, please contact Jacqui at sewbizzy67@gmail.com.*
September 5*- Board meeting 6:00 at Cob n Pren. RSVP to kimbooth@gmail.com.*
September 13*- Featherweight Circle. RSVP to Joyce Roberts at quiltangel515@yahoo.com. This group is open.*
September 21*- Guild Meeting 6:00 Social 6:30 meeting. First Presbyterian Church. Trunk Show with Deb Stoltz*
September 22*- Class with Deb Stoltz. More info to follow*
September 26*- Handwork Circle. 10-1 Larry Jackson Library. This group is open.*
October 3*- Board Meeting. Cob n Pren 6:00. RSVP to kimbooth@gmail.com.*
October 11*- Featherweight Circle RSVP to Joyce Roberts at quiltangel515@yahoo.com. This group is open.*
October 19*- Guild Meeting 6:00 Social 6:30 meeting. at First Presbyterian Church. Our guest is Sue Beevers of Trillium Ridge.*
October 20-21*- Two day workshop with Sue Beevers.*
October 24*- Handwork circle. 10-1 at Larry Jackson Library meeting room. This group is open.*
October 23-28-1.01*. Fall Retreat at Fabric Warehouse.*

SAVE THE DATE

The dates for our 2024 Spring Retreat are April 8-11 at Dogpatch conference Center. I will start taking registration in September. More details to follow.

Guild Meeting Notes are now located in the members section of the website.